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n re application of:

TADASHI ICHIDA

Application No.: 10/001,324

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR

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TRANSMISSION

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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

(37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Commissioner:

The applicant respectfully requests an extension of time of two months to file an appeal brief. An appeal brief is enclosed herewith.

Form PTO-2038 authorizing credit card payment of the fee of \$450 is enclosed.

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